

## Message Text

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: EFIN, SZ

SUBJECT: SWISS FOREIGN- EXCHANGE AND GOLD DEVELOPMENTS

1. NEWS THAT GERMAN MARK HAD BEEN REVALUED DROVE  
DOLLAR TO NEW LOW ON ZURICH FOREIGN- EXCHANGE MARKET.  
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SPOT RATE OPENED AT SF 2.95/2.97 AND DECLINED TO LOW  
FO SF 2.8950/2.9150 AND CLOSED AT SF 2.92/2.94.  
TURNOVER WAS SMALL. DEUTSCH MARK CLOSED IN ZURICH AT  
DM 2.42/2.43.

2. ALEXANDRE HAY, VP SWISS NATIONAL BANK, TOLD ECON-  
COUNS AT LUNCH TODAY THAT SWISS UNHAPPY WITH PRECIPITOUS  
GERMAN DECISION, HAY BELIEVES REVALUATION OF DM NEITHER  
CALLED FOR BY CIRCUMSTANCES IN GERMAN ECONOMY NOR BY  
GERMANY' S OBLIGATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC FIELD.  
HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT REVALUATION WAS NECESSARY TO CORRECT  
DISTORTIONS IN EUROPEAN MONETARY COOPERATION  
(I. E. , IN ORDER TO KEEP ALL CURRENCIES WITHIN THE  
" SNAKE"). HE WENT ON TO SAY GERMAN MOVE WILL INCREASE  
INFLATIONARY PRESSURES ON SWISS ECONOMY BECAUSE OF  
HIGH LEVEL OF SWISS IMPORTS FROM GERMANY.  
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